BOROUGH OF ROCKY HILL COUNCIL MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING JANUARY 29, 2007

The special meeting was called to order by Mayor Edward Zimmerman at 7:30 PM followed by the salute to the Flag.

NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

The following notice was read into the record by Mayor Zimmerman: This special meeting was called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. Notices of this meeting were faxed to the Courier News, Somerset Messenger Gazette, and Somerset Spectator on January 24, 2007. In addition, copy of said notice was posted on the bulletin board in Borough Hall, the Rocky Hill Post Office, the Mary Jacobs Library, and filed in the Office of the Borough Clerk on aforementioned date. Notices on the bulletin boards have remained continuously posted.

CALL OF THE ROLL

Mr. Brian Griner-present, Mr. William Hallman-present, Mr. Dan Harrington-present, Ms. Courtney White-present, Mr. Jared Witt-present.

REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FILLING OF GOVERNING BODY VACANCY

Mayor Zimmerman provided an overview of the process being followed for the filling of the vacancy. The names of three Republican nominees have been submitted by Mayor and Council and are under consideration by the governing body to include: James Banks, Martin Engelbrecht, and Tom Roshetar.

The floor was opened to the candidates:

<u>James Banks</u> – Mr. Banks expressed his appreciation to the community for their consideration. He currently serves as a Borough Constable. Mr. Banks offered that he is fair minded and researches issues before making decisions.

<u>Martin Engelbrecht</u> – not present.

<u>Tom Roshetar</u> – Mr. Roshetar advised that he has been a resident of the Borough for 12 years and is known to all of the Council members.

The floor was opened to the public. Hearing no comments/questions, the floor was closed.

APPOINTMENT TO GOVERNING BODY VACANCY/OATH OF OFFICE

The floor was opened for nominations. Councilwoman White nominated James Banks to fill the governing body vacancy with a second by Councilman Witt. Roll call: Griner-aye, Hallman-aye, Harrington-aye, White-aye, Witt-aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Banks offered his resignation effective immediately as Borough Constable.

Oath of office was administered to Mr. Banks by Borough Clerk Griffiths.

OPEN TO PUBLIC

Gabrielle Dietrich, resident, expressed favorable sentiment with having a complete Borough Council.

Mayor Zimmerman expressed appreciation to all three of the candidates for their interest in serving.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion was made by Griner with a second by Harrington to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 PM. All voted in favor of adjournment.

Respectfully submitted:

Donna M. Griffiths, RMC Borough Clerk